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Dear Dick:

This is an informal transmittal of a request from the Vice President.

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the USSR conducted what has been described as "the most significant exercise in the history of the Soviet Strategic Rocket Forces." In addition, the Soviets operationally deployed ground, naval, and air power of a different nature from ICBM's.

The Vice President has asked me to request of the Agency its evaluation of the meaning of the Soviet exercises. He is aware of the fact that the Soviet Union generally conducts military exercises during the summer, but the Vice President is wondering if he should not attach a higher level of concern to these exercises.

Best wishes.

Sincere

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